INTO THE HOMES

THE

Goes direct to the homes of the Discriminating Buyers.

NO. 4071. TO CRUSH ITALY

Fremendous Losses Suffered by Teutons In Ceaseless Assaults Upon Entente Forces, as Drive Is Organized In West.

Already the losses by which the ustro-Germans have paid for their reportionately slender gains have een terrific and if continued for

een terrific and if continued for any days must begin to eat into the eight divisions of reserves be-ind the lighting line. While Germany has been able to clease thousands of fresh reserves chind the lighting line while Ger-tany has been able to release thou-halds of fresh troops from the Rus-

m now on the Italians and their lies will be exposed to the most eadly artillery fire of the whole ofas the Toutons have finally into line their heaviest guns. ortions of the French part of the bombardment they had

Rome, Dec. 16.-Italy has called all rom 1874 to ready for to the colors, to "be ready for atever may occur." Italian continnts now under arms are officially sted to be 4.200,000. Besides these ,000 men previously rejected on phy-

/EATHER MAN SEES NO BREAK IN COLD

Street Record Expected,

Little abatement in the present constently cold weather is promised in official report issued last night ich states it will be 'fair' today d tomorrow, with a slight moderaof temperature and light variable

It started snowing at 10 o'clock last

if the present ice crusted conditions the sidewalks and pavements of the y continues many days more, a ord will be achieved. Never before, the memory of many, has so slight snow storm as the National Capital is visited with caused such uniform Hppery going" for so long a period. Sledding was enjoyed by the chil-

Sumerous minor accidents resulting om the ice and caked snow were ported to the police last night. Per-ps the most serious of these was jury to John Hall, 15 years, 201 ther place northwest, who was cut out the face and head when his d collided with an automobile standon Fifteenth street. He was ated at the Emergency Hospital.

reless Cooker Fires

watched pot may never boil and fireless cooker oughtn't to fire, per-ps. But things are not always what

fireless cooker can "fire" and En-Company, No. 1, was called on terday evening to put out a blaze sed by a fireless cooker that caused damage to the floors and walls of home of Thomas B. Fur Fifteenth street northwest. Thomas B. Furgerson,



WEATHER-FAIR.

NAVY ACCUSED

OF MUDDLING

Congress to Make Search-

ing Investigation of De-

partment's Operations.

One member of the House sub-

committee on naval affairs that

of the War Department and domes-

IN WAR WORK

WASHINGTON, D. C., MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1917. 1

TWO CENTS

SMASHING BLOWS RAIN ON ALLIES

special Cable to The Washington Herald and New York Tribune. London, Dec. 16.—In spite of the crushing losses sustained by he Austro-Germans in the last four days of their offensive on the orthern Italian front, they are continuing, without cessation, their forts to smash through the mountain barriers into the Venetian plains. Caprille Hill is a dominating height at the head of the San orenzo Valley, which leads directly to the Venetian lowlands.

Heavy Toll Taken. By massing men in overpowering umbers Von Below has been able to then his front in this region a conderable distance, but in the San orenzo Valley and along the slopes of either side of it powerful forces. Alpine troops bar the way to the lains, prepared to exact a heavy ill for Every inch of ground wrested from them.

ands of fresh troops from the Rusan front recently. Hindenburg can afford to suffer heavy casualties a the Italian front at a time when is preparing to throw all his rength into a crushing blow against

such hig losses as they have sused in the last week of fighting. nd of whom will be needby Hindenburg if he hopes to absolutely vital to the nation's welfirry out his extensively advertised fare. They are:
Ampaign in the West before American ampaign in the West before American ampaign in the result of the same of the sam

tic business.

Tying up of railroad traffic with needless rush orders.

Wrangling with the War Department and the Shipping Board over the personnel of crews on merchant vessels carrying war supplies.
At least one instance in which
the Navy Department caused a ost severe bombardment they had perienced since they took their ace beside the Italians. The mannoth German cannon and trench mortes threw tons of high c.plosives iles beyond the Piave, hombarding to the town. Crocetta, with 400 shells of rge caliber.

Italy Calls Reserves.

Navy Department promptly bought it up, used part of it, and held the rest for its own purposes. Then the War Department needed a supply. and found the market drained. Impede Shipments. Evidence is to be produced showing that the Ware and Navy Departgrounds have been called upon it themselves to re-examina-nesse men will be assigned to "rush," have held back important adustrial work if they are not citive fighting. Altogether the This rivalry in getting their supplies through has also had a tendency to will add more than 2,000,delay other government and im-portant domestic freight, such as CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO

"We will not stand for undisciplinendangering the lives of Americans or the supplies destined for the ex-peditionary forces," said one com-mitteeman. "We intend to call in several officers that have made the redicts "Fair" Conditions—Icy wral times, and get at the real facts in the controversy over control of

shipping. These three subjects, while they will be handled exhaustively, will not keep the committee from probing the navy's direct part in the prosecution of the war, this committeeman added.

Four-Hour Pistol Battle In Cabaret Fatal to Two: 123 Persons Arrested

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 16,-As the consequence of a four-hour revolver fight starting at 2 o'clock this morn-ing, between 125 policemen and a score of drunken negroes, who barriedding was enjoyed by the chil-no of the city yesterday, particular-on Capitol Hill.

Sumerous minor accidents resulting on the ice and caked snow were

white girls, white men, negresses and negroes, six persons were shot, two

the fire department was called out to assist the police, and hundreds of curious spectators struggled with the reserves to get within the danger zone, better to view the battle.

TO CANADIANS

Women and Soldiers Expected to Decide Issue in Today's Election.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 16.—Sir Robert Borden: "Will not you keep faith with those that have fallen and those that still live. I leave the issue with ou, with a supreme confidence that you, with a supreme confidence that your message to the soldiers will not be of dismay or despair, but of hope, of confidence and of victory."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier: "We would win this election, without a doubt, but for the abominations of the so-called franchise act."

The above remarks were reade at

The above remarks were made at The above remarks were made at closing meetings of Canada's most important elections campaign, the former by the premier speaking here, and the latter uttered by Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Vancouver.

The great majority of Canadian public men of weight, Canadian newspapers and ecclesiastics of all de-

papers and ecclesiastics of all de-nominations prophesy that the Union government will be returned tomor-

As It's Figured.

A conservative estimate is that Unionists will win by thirty majority. This is the latest forecast issued this

Nova Scotia... New Brunswick... Prince Edward 1st Saskatchewan.... Manitoba.....

Not only the actual conduct of the war by the navy is to be inves-tigated, but the operations of the Navy Department in transacting business on land will be probed. Total..... 133 Voting at Halifax and in the Yukon will not take place till January 28.

The above includes fifteen seats
that Laurier has already by acclamation and ten that the Unionists starts an investigation today, de-dlared last night that there are at least three sources of trouble in the Navy Department's operations, have.

Puts Lead Higher.

Frank Cochrane, one of the cabinet inisters and in very close touch with matters political, says the majority will be nearer forty. Liberal leaders are confident their claim is that Laurier will get 135 seats, the following being their forecast:

Laurier seats—Maritime Provinces

18; Quebec. 60; Ontario, 33; the West, Borden seats-Maritime Provinces, 10; Quebec, 5; Ontario, 33; the West, 12;

total, 60,
Liberal Unionists, labor, etc.—Maritime Provinces, 5; Quebec, 0; Ontario, 16; the West, 20; total, 29,
According to this calculation, the liberals entire a majority in the next house of 36 over all others.

From what can be learned, indications point to a Unionist victory in which the soldiers and the women. total, 60,

which the soldiers and the women voters will be a decisive factor. This vote is depended on to counterbalance the balloting of many young men who have been forced to enlist and who ill vote for Laurier for personal or

eif sh reasons. Very extended instructions have CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO.

SIX INJURED WHEN STREET CARS COLLIDE

ed, drupken or poorly trained crews Traffic Halted in Seventh and G Streets by Accident.

> Six persons were slightly injured when a south bound Chevy Chase Capital Traction street car collided with an east bound Washington Rail-way and Electric Brookland car at Seventh and G streets northwest, early

yesterday evening.

A misunderstanding of signals caused the accident. The heavy Chevy ed the accident. The heavy Chevy Chase car struck the other directly in the middle, knocking it from the racks. Traffic in Seventh and G treets was held up for three-quarters

Three passengers were taken to Emergency Hospital for treatment, the others were taken to their homes. chief P. N. Nicholson, fire marshal of the District, suffered an injury to his back, but refused treatment and

were: W. B. Williams, 22 T street northwest, shock and bruised knee, removed to his home; Mrs. W. F. Llewellyn, 1718 North Capitol street, cut on hand, aken to Emergency Hospital; Mrs Lulu Brown, 629 H street northwest cut on face and hands, removed t suffering fatal injuries, and 123 prisoners were taken.

The besieged building was wrecked.

Shoulder, removed to Emergency Hospital; Mrs. Anna Goldberg, 1001 Sixth street southwest, shock and bruised All those taken to the hospital left immediately after treatment

wner's Home; \$100 Loss Loyalty Defense Outlined By Ex-Premier Caillaux

and New York Tribune.

Paris, Dec. 16.-Former Premier Joseph Caillaux, expected soon to go on trial on charges of treason, has given out to the press a letter he sent to Gustave Herve, which undoubtedly indicates the line of defense he will

This letter was sent after Herve's newspaper, La Victorie, had given the accusations against the distinguished eader of the independent Socialists leader of the independent Socialists their first publicity. In it Caillaux reviews his famous trips to Italy, where he is said to have met emissaries of the enemy, and takes up his connection with the notorious Bolo and his financial interest in the magazine Bonnet Rouge, the editor of which Miguel Almereyd, committed suicide in prison.

Visits His Wife.

The letter says: "I was obliged to make several visits to Italy last year. At that time it was necessary for me to seek a watering place in the country of an ally, where the springs might have the same curative influences as the waters of Vichy. The dectors suggested Montecatinf, in Tuscany, Mme, Calliaux spent the honth

special Cable to Washington Herald of September there alone. I went to meet her in Florence, in October. She expressed a desire to pass the winter in Maly, where I traveled to see her, December 10 or 11, in order to spend

December 10 or 11, in order to spend four weeks with her.

"I don't imagine that I shall have to give an account of social conversations held in the presence of ladies in saloons or in restaurants. I do wish to say, nevertheless, though I am almost ashamed to do so, that I never heard any word that was contrary to the most ardent love for the French oming from the lips of those Italians spoke with.

Bolo Highly Sponsored.

"If I have never denied that I was in friendly relationship with M. Bolo, whose perfect honesty I had been as-sured of in 1911, when I was premier sured of in 1911, when I was premier and when some of my colleagues in the chamber asked me to regeive him, by a high personage whose name you know (Poincare). I want him't o disprove the terrible accusations against him. In any case I have the right to maintain that there is a great number of politicians, writers diplomats funcof politicians, writers, diplomats, fur tionares of all degrees, who frequent

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"KEEP FAITH," Baker Disputes Boast MAY URGE U.S. 17 U.S. SOLDIERS BORDEN'S PLEA By Germany of Great TO TAKE BIG Offensive in the West

Secretary of War In Weekly Summary Tells of Successful Allied Air Raids on Teuton Territory, with Excellent Results.

Secretary of War Baker, in his weekly review, says there is nothing except German boasts to indicate that the initiative in the West has passed from the entente to the Teuton.

For two years, Secretary Baker says, the Germans have been on the defensive on the West front. For six months the allies have been line the offensive on all fronts.

The Germans have secured the initiative only in the Eastern and Italian theaters of war.

Air Raids Successful.

For the first time the official communique of an allied nation speaks of successful air raids on towns in the interior of Germany. "The raiding of German towns in the

interior," says the Secretary, "more especially the industrial centers of the Rhineland, by allied aircraft, as re-prisals for the repeated bombardment of open towns in France and Great Britain by the Germans, has been successfully initiated.

"Reports of observers recently out raids have had a very depressing effect on the civilian population and have heightened the growing discon-tent among the German people, who now, for the first time, are being brought face to face with real war

Allenby's Work Effective. Mr. Baker says that though the capture of Jerusalem is not, the principal military object of Gen. Allenby, its fall will have a wide influence throughout the Turkish empire, and will go far toward reaf-

firming allied prestige in the Orient He says that it is the knowledge of Germany's failure in the East that now prompts the prospective peace

Though admitting that an armistice from the Baltic to the Black Sea has been signed, Mr. Baker says that the negotiations are proceeding in anything but a satisfactory manner

West Front Rumors. In his statement the Secretary

omments in part:
"Rumors of great preparations on the part of the Germans, with a view to achieving some major strategic success in the West, continue to reach us. Reports of massed hostile concentrations in those sectors where the enemy proposes to break through the French front and roll back the allied line on a broad scale, are numerous. "The German higher command seeks peace through victory. The enemy is apparently very eager to have us be-lieve that he is about to win such a

victory.
"In the West engagements of increasing scope and intensity took place. CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO

BAKER DENIES JURY FREES PERSHING ROW

Secretary Welcomes Congressional Investigation and Refutes Story of Friction.

Secretary Baker believes that the Congressional inquiry into the War Department has none of the hostile character usually attributed to legislative probes of executive depart-

night. "is exhibiting a very proper curiosity and the War Department will do its best to satisfy that proper curiousity. Congress declares war and appropriates the money. It is surely proper that it should know accurately how the war is getting on and how the money is being spent.'

Mr. Baker declared there is no

partment and Gen. Pershing. Such sister.

a report spread about Capitol Hill Judge Cline instructed Sheriff Gald-

last week.

"The work of the department as it.
affects Gen. Pershing has proceeded
very smoothly," Mr. Baker said. "The
new council is merely to focus on
contain problems the certain problems the best brains in the army in an efficient way. It will not infringe on the work of the

submitted to Congress, and high officials declare there is not the slightest danger of this information coming into the hands of the enemy or his

DISTRICT MERCHANT DIES.

A dispatch from Baltimore early this morning stated that Samuel Rosenthal, a member of the firm of Parker, Bridget Co., of this city, is

GASTON MEANS

North Carolina Man Acquitted of Charge of Murdering Wealthy Widow.

DAVID M. CHURCH, International News Staff Correspon dent.

Concord, N. C., Dec. 16.—Gaston B.
Means is today by his own fireside,
playing with his 1-year-old bagy. As
church bells summoned worshippers
this morning Means walked out into
the Sabbath day, freed of the charge
of murdering Mrs. Maud A. King.
Judye E. B. Cline entered the dingy
old court room soon after 10 o'clock. old court room soon after 10 o'clock At 10:05 Means came into the court-room. His fact was pale and by his side was his wife, who bore the signs of a night spent in anxious waiting he money is being spent."

Mr. Baker declared there is no vidence of friction between the demore and Gen. Poweller, Shall and Miss Belle Means, his sister.

Famine Conditions Declared

well that only the defendant and counsel should be allowed within the bar.

Court Summons Jury

While the defendant himself was composed, his wife was weeping, as will not infringe on the work of the General Staff.

Some concern has been felt in army circles here over the disclosure of confidential military information even behind the closed doors of a Congressional committee room.

It is learned last night, however, that elaborate measures have been taken to safeguard the information submitted to Congress, and high ofthree minor remarks which he had made and which he declared might have been misinterpreted. He asked the jurors if they had misunderstood his remarks and they declared they

"Gentlemen of the jury, have you reached a verdict?" queried the judge 'We have," came the muttered re

Who shall speak for you? Frank Goodman, the foreman.

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First Detailed Story of the Worst Crime In Human History

The Washington Herald today starts to print, on page 2, the most terrible story of the great war. It has obtained from Dr. Fred Porter Haggard, secretary of the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, a remarkable series of articles telling the things the world must know about the massacres and worse that have taken place in Germandominated Turkey - exceeding anything heretofore known in history.

Dr. Haggard has condensed into a series of six short articles the whole terrible story of helpless people driven into the desert to starve; of the rivers of Mesopotamia chocked with women's bodies; of a lake so full of corpses the soldiers were forbidden to use fish caught in it; of young Armenian girls taken to the Turkish harems and sold on slave blocks



axes in the hands of Turkish troops.

Dr. Haggard, as secretary of the relief committee, has on file official documents from American consuls, missionaries at \$2 each; of thousands of and diplomatic officials which men compelled to dig their contain the whole terrible story, own ditch graves, upon the of the crimes of Turkey, edge of which they were im- against which Uncle Sam is mediately slaughtered with about to declare war.

PART IN WAR

Military and Naval Heads to Demand Broader Policy.

The military and naval heads of the House Mission to the allied conference in Paris returned to Washington yesterday. They brought with them optimistic reports. They're-echoed the entiment of Gen, Pershing that

senument of Gen. Pershing that
"We're going to break the German
line with a human wedge." Col.
House is expected here today to report to the President,
But they brought back a new concept of the task which faces America.
Not only was the military and naval
problem thoroughly canvassed at the
inter-allied conference but the reinter-aliged conference, but the re-sources of the allies were estimated in the minutest detail. It was reported here last night that the conference had decided that the United States must come forward with even larger num-bers of men and ships in the immedi-

n the navy, and Gen. Bliss, chief of the army general staff, arrived here yesterday. Admiral Benson had a long conference with Secretary of the Navy Daniels and submitted his formal report. Gen. Bliss was clos with Secretary Baker for over two

Gen. Bliss voiced the optimism of the mission. He said:
"The British and French armies and people are more determined than ever. There is no thought any place of quitting before victory. And our boys are in the same state of mind. Every one feels that the victory must come."

Changes Expected. Mr. Daniels said that the return of Admiral Benson did not mean that he would not be the permanent representative of the United States on the

description of the war preparation of America the interallied conference will effect cannot now be predicted, but it is known that the constitutional amendment up to the states has been passed, John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the states has been passed. John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the states has been passed. John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the states has been passed. John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the states has been passed. John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the constitutional amendment up to the constitutional amendment up to the states has been passed. John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the constitutional amendment up to the states has been passed. John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the constitutional amendment up to the states has been passed. John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the constitutional amendment up to the constitutional amendment up to the states has been passed. John Barder fever septicaemia; emergency adjusted the constitutional amendment up to the constitution and the constitution are constituted to the constitution and the constitution are constitution and the constitution are constituted to the constitution are constituted to the constitution and the constitution are constituted to the const Just what changes in the war preparations of America the interallied conference will effect cannot now be predicted, but it is known that the operating heads of the two arms of our service have returned with very specific recommendations.

One official at the War Department declared last night that the return declared last night that the return reconsists in holding at least thirteen

One official at the War Department of declared last night that the return of these men from Europe came at a most opportune time, as they will both now be enabled to tell the Central Science of the twenty-three States already and John's fight therefore consists in holding at least thirteen of the twenty-three States he now both now be enabled to tell the Central Science of the twenty-three states he now be made and what must be done. Their festimony, apparently to be backed by the advice of all the nations against German will, it is believed have added weight with Considerary committee. Representative lieved, have added weight with Con-

ROADS BLAMED BY COAL MEN

Due to Failure to Supply Needed Cars.

Car shortage and congestion, augmented by unfavorable weather con-ditions, caused a loss of approximately 4,000,000 tons in the production of betu-erinous coal during the week just ended, according to a statement of the National Coal Association issued last night. Telegraphic reports to the as-sociation show that the mines were-hit harder by the failure of the railroads to deliver enough cars for load-

ing than in any other week of which the association has a record. This heavy loss of production fol-lows a loss of 10,000,000 tons in production during November, solely because of the car shortage and slow car movement. The total loss in produc-tion of bituminaus coal from Novemher 1. because of inadequate car supply, is not less than 15,000,000 tons.

Mines in Ohio, where the shortage of coal has caused acute distress durin the past week, were heavily handicapped by failure of the railroads to supply them with cars enough to permit them to run full time. The loss of production in one district alone approximated 200,000 tons.

Defends Hoover on Sugar. Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 16.—George H. Earle, jr., one of the leading In-dependent Sugar Refiners, tonight is-sued a statement praising Food Ad-ministrator Hoover and George M. Rolfhead, of the sugar division, for their work and bitterly assailing Claus Spreckels.

Engineers Figured In Brush Between British and Germans Near Cambrai; Casualty

Seventeen of the American engineers who dropped their shovels pitch into the fighting when they were caught by the German

The toll of these men, whose bravery, promptness and fine spirit won a commendatory letter from Gen. Haig to Gen. Pershing, was announced by the War Department last night. Nearly all of them are from in and around New York City.

Joined in Fight.

EXPECT HOUSE TO PASS BILL FOR DRY VOTE

mans. It is feared, however, that few Prohibition Leaders Say Representatives Will Rut Issue Up to States.

John Barleycorn will be forced back upon his last line of defense this fternoon.

The House of Representatives wil vote on the question of referring a constitutional amendment to the several States, and the best opinion in sentative of the United States on the leval States, and the best opinion in Congress last night was that the vote will put the amendment up to the States. A close, hard fight is expected, and the victory for the drys will not be by a wide margin. But it will still be a victory, dry leaders declare. When the resolution putting the constitutional amendment up to the constitutional amendment up to the constitutional amendment.

minority reports were filed from the judiciary committee. Representative gard, of Ohio, and Steele, of Pennsylvania, signed one report, and Representative Dyer, of Missouri, filed New York City.

"Organized labor throughout the has opposed prohibition." declared Dyer last night, "not for any selfish reasons, but with a full realization of the benefits derived. Beer is precheap, it is wholesome, and, unless used to the greatest excess, it can not produce intexpeation.

not produce intoxication.

"With the possible exception of Turkey, all the European nations engaged in the great war have found it necessary to maintain brewing for the benefit of their troops and their industrial populations."

Drys declare they will win, pointing to New York and Indiana as their reasons. Three years ago both States delegations were solid against the delegations were solid against the

reasons. Three years ago both States' delegations were solid against the amendment. This year twelve of Indiana's thirteen Representatives will vote for the amendment, and about three-fourths of New York's delegation will do likewise.

Stevens avenue, South Amboy, N. J. Maney, Utrich N., private, engineers, November 20; emergency address, John (C. Mason, mother, 257 Eighth street, Ignes City, N.

Palestine's Recapture Held Jews' Opportunity

Baltimore, Dec. 16.—The great move-ment to realize Jewish national en-tity as a result of the recapture of Palestine from Turkey was launched here today at a convention of more than 200 leaders of the Zionist organization of the country. Nathan Straus, of New York, termed it "an

historic gathering." It was the first concrete step to-ward the achievement of the national character taken by the Jews of the world and it was intimated during the meeting that a "practical" re-occupation of the Holy Land would be under way within a month.

Comedian Barnabee Dies.

Boston, Dec. 16.-Henry Clay Barnabee, famous comic opera comedian, died tonight in a hospital here at the age of 86. For many years he member of the Bostonians.

New Submarine Cruiser Increases Hun Sinkings

By FRANK W. GETTY.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald and New York Tribune London, Dec. 16.—For her new sub-ten. The same conclusion might be drawn from Von Capelle's speech in the secret session of the Reichstas-

without submerging.

That's Germany's Answer. This is the answer Germany is making to the question as to whether the submarine is dead or playing possum. Emphatically, the submarine is very much alive. This week's losses show much alive. This week a from over-that the menace is still far from over-

come, all optimistic statements, com-mon here as elsewhere, to the con-trainy notwithstanding.

Germany, I believe, is building be-tween eight and twelve submarines each month, averaging, approximately,

marine offensive, which for the secret session of the recensus, week has brought heavy shipping a losses to Britain. Germany is now portion of these, but not all.

Meanwaile, the increased output of the secret session of the recensus, and the secret session of the recensus, and the secret session of the recensus and provided the secret session of the recensus and provided the secret session of the recensus. turning out a type of underwater terror of which little has been heard up to the present—namely, the submarine cruiser.

These new sea monsters are capable of crossing the Atlantic, shelling an erews is naturally weakening up.

of crossing the Atlantic, shelling man crews is naturally weakening un-American cities and attacking coast-wise shipping with ease.

The coast-wise shipping with ease. American cities and attacking coastwise shipping with ease.

They can remain away from their
bases for three months, if necessary,
and the indescribable sensation produced in Germany whenever one of
these undersea wolves sails out with
and are armed with 5.9 guns, with
that are armed with 5.9 guns, with
which they can give battle in a pinch
without submarging

Sinkings Show Seriousness.

MISSING AFTER FIGHT WITH HUN

List Shows 3 Deaths and 1 Wounded.

advance in front of Cambrai are missing.

Reports at the time told how, when the German counter attack surged forward and caught them between the lines, they dropped into shell boles, abandoned the railroads they being the British lines, waited for the British line to surge forward again. It was known then that there ad been some casualties, but vester day's announcement is the first of-fical confirmation of the fact. Reported as missing, the men maf-have been taken prisoner by the Ger-

> escaped death in the shell torn, bullet swept wastes of No Man's Land. Casualty List. missing list is accompanied by

three names of men who died from natural causes and by the name of a American doctor with the British forces who was scriously wounded It is as follows Minkier, Clarence M., first-class private, field hospital, died December II, scarlet fever nephritis acute, emergency address, Mrs B. Minkier,

South street, Proctor, Schenkman, George, Schenkman, George, private, in-fantry; died Deember 14, tuberculoses

chronic pulmonary; emfrgency address, Mrs. Yetta Schenkman, moth-er. 7 West 113th street, New York Ny. Wolfe, Herbert J., bustier, headquar-

Boyle, H. C., first lieutenant, Medi-cal Officers' Reserve Corps, attached to British forces; severely wounded, December 7; emergency address, Mrs. Margaret Boyle, 26 Main avenue, Luzerne, Pennsylva Andrews, Harold T., private, adnesrs, November &, emergency address, Frank Bradford, Thele, Union Maine.

Montreal Buil-Brooks, Fra. November 3); e: Dina, Michael November 20 James Ding fa street, New York sty.
Geoghegan, Chases A., private, es

gineers. November dress, Mrs. Michael Geoghegan, r er. 511 West 15th street, New gineers, November 30; er dress Miss Rose Peristein

Jersey City, N. J. McGrath, Alphonos J., private, en-CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO.

ROME SECRET SESSION HELD

Italian Chamber of Deputies Goes Into Session Behind Closed Doors.

Rome. Dec. 15, tdelayed).—The Italian chamber of deputies is in escret session. Matters of transpondent political and military importance are being discussed. An impenetrable screen of secrecy has been thrown around the star chamber sessions which began ye ferday. Only meager details were learned about the opening sitting. Today the procautions were even more intensified.

More than 200 deputies attended the

opening session. All members of the cabinet were present. The ministers and seven deputies and speeches. All that is known regarding their themes is that important matters pertaining to Italy's foreign policy Tonight it was learned that just be-

fore and during the secret sessions the Orlando government fought its first clash with the official Socialists, ied by Deputy Modiglianti. The latter caused an uproar in the chamber by a sreech violently attacking the pro-posal to hold the sittings behind closed doors. He asserted the whole country was entitled "to know wheth and to what extent Gen. Cadorna responsibility for the recent military disaster."

Great White Way Grows Dim; War Order Cause

But in spite of all this and the fact that the tide of the whole submarine war is gradually turning in favor of the allies, one has only to look at the sinkings to see the seriousness of the situation.

When the British and allied navies succeed in sinking as many submarines a month as Germany is able to turn out, then the situation may be said to be safe. But wen then serious succeed little more purpose than so many fig. files to light a black night.